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MEMORANDUM

9 May 1945

To: The Files  
From: W. A. Pruett  
Subject: Lt. Col. Trevor Jones

Acting upon the advice of and instructions received from Mr. J. P. McCarthy relative to the effecting of a discreet surveillance of Lt. Col. Trevor Jones, Force 136, Colombo, Lt. Frank Gribble of Security, Colombo, and I made spot checks from 2 May 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, on various places which Lt. Col. Jones might frequent, such as the Galle Face Hotel, Grand Oriental Hotel, Silver Fawn Night Club, Free China Restaurant, and the Regal and Empire Theaters.

In view of the delicacy of the situation and the potential complications and issues involved, it was deemed unnecessary, not to say unwise, to attempt a more intensified form of surveillance such as a tailing, questioning, etc.

Since nothing resulted from any of these spot checks, we concluded that Lt. Col. Jones probably spent most of his evenings in the privacy of the homes and company of his friends.

On the morning of 8 May 1945, upon the suggestion of Mr. McCarthy, I went to the office of Lt. Col. Jones to interview him and to ascertain when he expected to visit Kandy. He intimated that he would probably come to Kandy for a brief visit in the course of the coming week.

During the course of my conversation with Lt. Col. Jones, I was most favorably impressed with him. He appeared to be a thoroughly sincere, friendly and frank person. He has a charming personality and seems to be most intelligent and capable. In view of his splendid personality and other excellent qualities, as well as the important position he holds, it is to be hoped that there is no real basis for entertaining any suspicion of him.

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